

**NOMINEES FOR OFFICE, 2013**  
**SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE**

Submitted by Nominations Committee (Janet Rafferty [Chair], David Dye, and Tony Boudreaux) to President T.R. Kidder and Secretary Ann Cordell 06/28/2013.

**NOMINEES**

**Editor-Elect:**

Elizabeth J. Reitz

**Executive Officer I:**

Evan Peacock

Mary Beth Trubitt

Jane M. Eastman

**NOMINEES' STATEMENTS**

**Editor-Elect**

**Elizabeth J. Reitz**

I received my PhD in 1979 from the University of Florida and am now Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Georgia, where I manage the Zooarchaeology Laboratory in the Georgia Museum of Natural History. My research focuses on the interpretation of animal remains from coastal archaeological sites dating from the Late Pleistocene into the twentieth century throughout the Americas. I have served as an officer, board member, or committee member for a number of professional societies, including the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, and am a Fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science. If elected, I look forward to continuing the exemplary service of current *Southeastern Archaeology* Editor, Thomas Pluckhahn, and the editors preceding him. Archiving *Southeastern Archaeology* on JSTOR raised the profile of the journal, its impact factor, and citation rates. The next significant tasks are to be indexed on the web of science and to improve the web site. The key to the continued quality of our journal is the high level of scholarship within SEAC. As your Editor, I look forward to becoming more familiar with the breadth of scholarship in the Conference and to assisting authors in bringing their work to this wider audience.

## **Executive Officer I**

**Evan Peacock** (PhD University of Sheffield, U.K. 1999; M.A. Sheffield 1990, B.A. Mississippi State University 1988).

My first experience in archaeology was a field school held in the Southeast in 1984. Since then, I have worked as an archaeologist in the commercial sector, for a federal agency, and in academia. My research interests include long-term human-nature interaction, formation processes, settlement patterns, evolutionary and ecological theory, archaeological methods and practice. Navigating the various tides of outlook and practice in a manner that is both morally and scientifically defensible is not an easy task, but maintaining balance is critical to the long-term success of SEAC. If elected to the position of Executive Officer I, I will work to insure that such balance is maintained.

**Mary Beth Trubitt** (PhD, Northwestern University 1996; MA, Northwestern University 1989, BA, Oberlin College 1981).

As a research station archeologist for the Arkansas Archeological Survey, I conduct research, teach and mentor university students, and work with members of the interested public. Currently I am developing a virtual comparative collection of Arkansas Novaculite on the web, investigating Caddo identity in the Ouachita Mountains through excavations at a 16<sup>th</sup> century site, and writing about interaction between the Caddo area and the Mississippian Southeast. I have been a member of SEAC since 1986. I have presented papers and posters at the conferences, assisted with organizing two of the annual meetings, published in and reviewed manuscripts for the journal, and, as a past winner, served on the judging committee for the Student Paper Competition. I am past president of the Caddo Conference Organization and have served on committees for the Society for American Archaeology. If elected as an Executive Officer, I will bring my experience to serve as your representative to the SEAC Board, and help SEAC prosper.

**Jane M. Eastman** (PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 1999; MA UNC-CH 1990; BA UNC-CH 1986).

My primary research and teaching interests are in Southeastern US archaeology, pottery manufacture and use, foodways, Cherokee archaeology, experimental archaeology, mortuary

archaeology, public archaeology, and gender studies. I am the Director of Cherokee Studies and Director of the Archaeology Lab and Archive at Western Carolina University and recently served as Head of the Department of Anthropology and Sociology. I also worked as a field and lab supervisor for a cultural resources management firm for many years. I have been a member of SEAC for over 25 years and I received the C.B. Moore Award in 2002. I regularly present papers at our annual meetings, have served as newsletter editor and assisted with editing two special volumes of our journal. I would very much like to serve the conference as Executive Officer I and, if elected, will help ensure that SEAC remains a vibrant organization.